

THE BILL GOTHARD COMPROMISE

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The 1994 Bill Gothard Institute in Basic Life Principles "Pastors and Christian Leaders' Seminar" is another example of the continuing saga of the sad compromise of this organization in the new-evangelical compromising conspiracy. The seminar's location lists five Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) churches (we called all five to verify they were cooperating SBC churches), an Assemblies of God church, a Christian and Missionary Alliance Church (C & MA), a Grace Brethren church, a well known independent church in NJ (IFCA?), and Wheaton College [one of the bastions of new evangelical ecumenism and compromise]. The inclusion of two Baptist Bible Fellowship (BBF) churches, the Riverdale Baptist Church of Upper Marlboro, MD and the Temple Heights Baptist Church of Tampa, FL is another example of the compromise taking place within the BBF fold, as the lines of demarcation between independent Baptists and southern Baptists continue to blur.

The [Fundamentalist Digest] editor hopes some naive fundamentalists will finally wake up and realize after 20 years that the Gothard ministries are NOT fundamentalist, but truly new-evangelical in nature and orientation and that they are not to be extolled, but should be exposed.

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